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Greetings:

The Challis and Salmon-Cobalt Ranger Districts of the Salmon-Challis National Forest propose to authorize livestock grazing by updating allotment management plans (AMPs) on National Forest System lands on the Morgan Creek and Eddy Creek grazing allotments located 4 to 28 miles north and northwest of Challis, Idaho.

The attached scoping document contains a map and information about the proposed project. The letter summarizes the purpose and need for the project, desired conditions, proposed action, preliminary resource concerns, and preliminary alternatives.

Your comments are requested specifically on the proposed action's effects, preliminary resource concerns, and preliminary alternatives. Any suggestions that you have for additional actions to move to the desired conditions would be welcome. Comments made on this proposal are most helpful if they are received by October 27, 2003 and pertain directly to the project area. However, your comments and involvement are welcome throughout the planning process.

If you would like to stay on the mailing list for this project or would like to submit comments please contact Ken Rodgers, Project Team Leader. He can be contacted at the Challis Ranger District Office, H/C 63, Box 1669, Challis, ID 83226, phone 208-879-4154 or by email at comments-intermtn-salmon-challis@fs.fed.us. Please state that your comments are for the Morgan Creek and Eddy Creek grazing allotments EIS project scoping. Comments received in response to this request for public comment will be available for public inspection and can be released in their entirety if requested pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act.

An open house will also be held on October 8, 2003 at 6:00-8:00 pm at the Challis Ranger District Office, Highway 93 North, Challis, Idaho to discuss this proposal and solicit your comments.

Sincerely,

/s/ Lesley W. Thompson
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Enclosures (2)

